

TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE TOWN BULLETIN MARCH 2010

March 4th WABA 7:00pm Thursday Leber March 9th TOWN COUNCIL 7:00pm Tuesday Leber March 13th Beaux Arts Ski Club 1:00pm Saturday Crystal Mtn. PLANNING COMMISSION 7:00pm Thursday March 18th Stratton

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IN MEMORIAM: Our community mourns the loss of **Jon Welsh**, son of residents Robert and Barbara Welsh. Most neighbors remember Jon as a boy who grew up here in the village. Jon moved to BAV in 1965 with his parents and brothers, Tim and David. He attended Enatai Grade School and the old Bellevue Jr. High School. He graduated from Bellevue HS in 1976. He attended WSU two years and spent brief times at the San Francisco Art Institute and at Western Washington University. He was employed in food service, mainly in health care facilities. For the past 3-1/2 years he was a chef/instructor at FareStart in Seattle, the central kitchen for homeless shelters in Seattle, where he was responsible for teaching and producing 500+ meals a day. He was diagnosed with metastatic lung cancer to his brain the week of December 7th and he died February 8th at Evergreen Hospice. There will be a *private* celebration of his life on March 7th. Memorials can be sent to: FareStart, 700 Virginia, Seattle, WA 98101. Our deepest sympathies go out to the entire Welsh family.

TOWN MARSHAL REPORT: Attention All Residents – Serious Warning!!

Two incidents have occurred this last week in nearby Clyde Hill that reminds us our safety is an ever vigilant task. Please take note of the details – *Of this attempted luring near Chinook Middle School:* http://www.komonews.com/news/85116767.html

KOMO reported "the mother of a 12-year-old boy who attends Chinook Middle School (in Clyde Hill) is reporting that a man tried to lure her son outside the school just before 4 p.m. Monday. According to the boy, a man in a beat-up white Toyota pick-up truck asked him for help finding his lost dog. The boy described the man as Hispanic, with a mustache, teardrop tattoos on his face and he wore an old Mariners baseball cap. The Bellevue School District immediately wrote up a letter asking parents to be on the lookout, reminding students to always travel in groups." *And this home invasion robbery:*

http://www.komonews.com/news/local/85021242.html

KOMO reported "a man (in Clyde Hill) was punched, tied up and robbed at gunpoint while working inside his garage on Monday night. Lt. Kyle Kolling said two men wearing ski masks entered a garage in the 8600 block of NE 28th at approximately 9:30 p.m. One of the thieves flashed a handgun while the other one punched the homeowner and tied him up using zip ties, Kolling said. Police said the two men made off with a small safe that was inside the garage. The thieves were seen driving off in a small, dark-colored pickup truck, possibly a Toyota or a Nissan. The homeowner, a man in his 30s, sustained minor injuries and was treated by medics at the scene." Please remind your children of "stranger danger" and to travel in groups. The home invasion reminds us we can't always be safe – even at home. Close your garage, use your locks & lights, and call 9-1-1 if you witness any suspicious activity. Thank you for watching out for each other, and all our children. A strong community working together could be our best defense – let's not let this happen here. Thank you.

COUNCIL BUSINESS: At the February 9th Council meeting:

• The Council heard an update from the 108th Committee on their progress in develop a vision and a 25-year plan for Beaux Arts' portion of the 108th Corridor. Councilmember Sharp, as chair of the committee, presented a draft document outlining the committee's recommendations to the Council including: create a sense of place, recharge and protect the BAV aquifer, create a natural-type walking path, create a native planting border, eliminate or restrict parking, and create a safe environment for pedestrians and bicyclists. To support these recommendations the committee is reviewing a number of design elements.

- The Council discussed the current division of duties and reviewed Mayor Leider's proposal for shifting some of them for better alignment and to take better advantage of Councilmembers' various strengths and interests.
- The Council reviewed the Town's current Parking Ordinance No. 274 and discussed possible amendments to it for clarity and consistency. Significant attention was paid to the possibility of eliminating or greatly restricting parking on unpaved ROWs, a change that would affect guest parking and possibly temporary resident parking. A draft of the proposed ordinance, as amended, is posted on the Town's website on the *What's New* page. Residents are invited to review and comment upon this draft.
- The Council is planning a Strategic Planning Retreat sometime in mid- to late March. The meeting will be held in a meeting room outside of Beaux Arts, but it will be a public meeting, so anyone who is interested is invited to attend. Details about the date, time, and location will be posted on mail stands and on the Town website when available.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next meeting of the Town Council will be held at **7:00pm on Tuesday**, **March 9, 2010** at Matt Leber's house. In addition to regular business, King County Councilmember Jane Hague will visit with the Town Council to outline the various topics under discussion at the County level and to hear what ideas, issues, and concerns Beaux Arts residents may have that relate to County business.

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE: The Town has started its mandatory update of the Beaux Arts Shoreline Master Program (SMP) with grant funding from the Washington State Department of Ecology. The Town's SMP is a planning document that governs waterfront development. Its jurisdiction includes the actual waterfront and all lands within 200' of the shoreline. The first step in the update is an inventory, characterization, and analysis of the shoreline, which will be completed by June 2010. Future phases include the development of goals, policies, and regulations for future shoreline development.

The Planning Commission will be discussing the SMP update at many of its upcoming meetings. Villagers are encouraged to attend the meetings to provide input and hear about the ongoing work. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for **7:00pm**, **Thursday**, **March 18, 2010** at the Stratton residence, where information will be presented regarding the Shoreline Inventory.

ANNUAL BEAUX ARTS SKI CLUB TRIP: Join your neighbors for a day on the slopes, at Crystal Mountain this year! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 13th**. The Mayor's Cup Race will begin at **1:00pm** and Après' Ski will commence at **3:30pm** in the Alpine Inn, followed by the annual banquet and awards dinner. To entice you, we have 3 Crystal tickets available, one each to the first 3 families that RSVP! Please RSVP to Carol Clemett or Angela Kulp by March 10th for the banquet count, and for your chance to secure one of these ski tickets! See http://www.skicrystal.com/ for more information on Crystal Mountain skiing and lodging.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: The path from SE 28th to SE 29th in the Lower Village has been replanted and weeded and now needs to be mulched. Middle or High School students looking for Community Service hours can pitch in and help to chip the path. They can contact Carol Clemett for any details.

NEXT WABA BOARD MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Western Academy of Beaux Arts Board of Trustees will be held at **7:00pm on Thursday, March 4, 2010** at Leslie Leber's house.

WABA ASSESSMENTS: If you haven't already received your WABA Assessment notice for 2010, you will be receiving it soon. The WABA dues for 2010 are \$550 per property. Please send or drop off your payments at the WABA mailbox (10010 SE 28th Place, Beaux Arts, WA 98004) **by March 31, 2010**. Any payments received after March 31 will be subject to 1% late payment fee per month. Thank you!

WABA BOARD NEWS: Our 2010 WABA budget was passed at the annual Winter Dinner and **Alex Burlingame** was elected as our newest WABA trustee. Congratulations Alex and thank you for your eagerness to serve on the WABA Board! Alex will now be our new treasurer. Thank you to outgoing treasurer Rich Bray, and to David Dempster who served as our dock master for 7 years.

THANK YOU: This year the WABA Annual Winter Dinner and Meeting were held Saturday, February 6, 2010 at the Overlake Golf and Country Club and were very well attended. WABA sincerely hopes that everyone who participated this year enjoyed the new venue, memorable games & slideshow (click here for the slide show), lovely festive dinner & dancing, and the pleasure of socializing with new and tenured neighbors. Thank you to Carolyn Wyman for her beautiful violin accompaniment during the social hour, Julia Morse for bringing some archives, and

to everyone who donated numerous items to the wonderful themed baskets that were raffled including: Nate Clemett's evening of BARF sailing, and the Scott Family's session of wakeboarding. Thanks to our committee:

Carol Bond & Family Dan Bridges Nancy Burlingame Pam Donoghue Rich Bray Lindsay Elston Marji Jochums Forrest Kulp Laura McKean Julia Morse Amy Nassisi Amy Reller Becky Ryals Andrea Sharp Sharron Van Wyk Together these folks created 110 Bingo boards, gathered items for the raffle baskets, mailed invitations, volunteered their time during the Dinner, created nametags and playlists for dancing, called neighbors to remind them of the party and generally donated a lot of time and energy. Thank you to all who attended and participated in this wonderful tradition and community building event. We all had a lot of fun too!

SUMMER BEACH MOM NEEDED: Do you enjoy planning and coordinating fun activities for young children during the summer? Do you want to have a say in who WABA hires as our lifeguards? Do you have a desire to keep our beach safe and fun for all? If you answered "Yes!" to most of these questions, then the position of Summer Beach Mom is for you! Please contact Becky Ryals right away if you (and/or a friend) are interested.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND PROJECT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The 2010 volunteer sign-up boards for our traditional projects and activities were passed around at the Winter Dinner. Thank you to all of you who signed up to participate! We still have plenty of openings for those who would like to get involved in planning and/or leading our annual projects and social events including the spring Beach Clean-Up, Easter Egg Hunt in April, WABA Summer Picnic, Beach Mom, Kids Summer Activities, Kids Beach Sleepover, Summer Arts & Crafts Fair, Christmas Cookie Exchange, Christmas Ships Gathering and the 2011 Winter Dinner. Please contact Becky Ryals if you are interested.

GREEN BOOK UPDATES: We are currently in the process of updating The Green Book and WABA website. Please contact WABA clerk Andrea Sharp if you have changes for the Green Book or your contact information has changed. You may also provide Andrea with a different or an additional email address for receiving WABA correspondence.

WELCOME: Please help the WABA Board welcome our newest WABA members & guest members! WABA members Catherine Mizzi and her grown daughter Mary Ann have bought the former Danielson house. Catherine has moved from Clyde Hill and has an interest in gardening as you can see from the new plantings in her front yard.

WABA members **John and Trisha Gillem** have purchased the former Rose house. The Gillem's, from Seattle, have twin 2 year old daughters.

WABA Guest members **David and Jennifer Walsey** are in the Branum's house. The Walsey's have 3 children and join us from San Diego.

WABA Guest members **Janet and Shep Griswold** along with their dogs have recently moved into Don Durr's house. These empty nesters join us from Kirkland; their youngest daughter will join them over the summer.

SHORELINE-BEACH PLANNING COMMITTEE: Congratulations to the new committee members of the Shoreline-Beach Planning Committee! The WABA Board received numerous applications for the special committee to work with the landscape architect to develop a proposal for the Beaux Arts shoreline in conjunction with WABA's Shoreline Grant. Thank you to all of the applicants who were interested and willing to serve in this process. The committee members have been chosen and will include*:

Joann Bromberg, Chair Bob Van der Horn Marji Jochums John Gillem Sue Eulau

Paula Dix Carol Clemett Ann Bowen Peggie Bates

Board Liaison: Andy Stefan Beach Liaison: Forrest Kulp Woodlands Liaison: Sheila Justus *Please note: You may still participate in the Shoreline-Beach Planning efforts even if you are not "on" the committee. Committee meetings are open to everyone to provide input. Meeting days and times will be posted.

BEACHMASTER REPORT: Spring has sprung and the beach awaits! Please contact Beachmaster Forrest Kulp if you have an idea for a special project during the April beach cleanup.

DOCKMASTER REPORT: Hello boaters! This year's early spring makes for a great boat ride, so maybe it's time to get the boats back in the water early this year. Reminder: *annual moorage fees were due at the end of February* (2/28) to Bernard's *personal* mailbox; late payers will be assessed a penalty. Dock inspections are complete and permitting is underway. There has been some slip turnover, so please welcome the new boaters! I hope to see you out on the lake soon. If you have questions about waiting lists or slips, please contact me. – Dockmaster Bernard van de Kamp

WOODLANDS MANAGER REPORT:

As you may have noticed, Woodlands is having several trees tested. Most of these trees may have been adversely affected by over pruning, root compaction, "lawn mower blight" and sprinklers. The resistograph testing is like an ultrasound for a tree. This will determine their projected life and therefore safety of these trees. It will also help us decide if there is any treatment to consider. The trees currently marked with the orange tapes show serious signs of root rot and other problems which increase their risk to members and their property as well as other trees. Call Sheila Justus for more information.

\$\$: We are starting a program for Village teens to earn some real cash. We invite kids 12 and older to join the ranks of "**Ivy Eradicators**". We will **pay** \$10 per tree trunk and \$20 per life ring around the tree. Julie Finnell will head up this project. She will train anyone who is interested. All you need is gloves. Kids will sign up for tree work and be paid upon successful completion of the task. Call Julie if interested; there is no specific time requirement.

The next Woodlands Committee meeting will be at **7:00pm**, **Thursday**, **April 22**, **2010** at the Justus home. All interested are welcome!

MAILBOX CONFUSION: For any residents that may be confused about Town, WABA or Outgoing mailboxes, here are the locations again:

Corner of 28th St. & 104th Ave: OUTGOING Mail – Green Box! <u>WABA</u>: 10010 SE 28th Place (Assessments, etc) Corner of 27th St. & 27th Place, by the Water Tower: <u>TOWN</u>: 10550 SE 27th St. (Water Bills)

LOST & FOUND:

Found: A nice leather leash in the road on 103rd. If you think it may be yours, please contact Gerri Armbruster. Found: A brown leather ladies right glove, size medium. Please contact Andrea Sharp, WABA Clerk if it is yours. Found: A wallet on Beaux Arts beach – lost about 30 years ago, belonging to a Brian McCauley. If you think you can help track down this owner, please see Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp.

BUILDING NEWS- The following permits were issued by the Beaux Arts Building Dept. in February: 10521 SE 29th St. Building – retaining wall

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

• Contact <u>Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens</u> if you have questions about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns.

Email: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov

Phone: (425) 454-8580

Mail: 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

• Contact <u>Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp</u> if you have questions about the building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Board of Adjustment.

Email: bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov

Phone: (425) 269-6985

Mail: 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

• To report Block watch concerns, contact:

<u>Town Marshal Walter Scott:</u> (425) 454-2573 <u>Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster:</u> (425) 746-0757